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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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FOR: DOPE FOR POLYURETHANE OR AROMATIC POLYAMIDE ARTICLE, AND USE  
OF HYDROTALCITE COMPOUND PARTICLES THEREIN

Date: March 19, 2002

The Hon. Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the herewith filed  
application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 15, 24 and 29 in their entirety and  
without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims:

--33. (New) A polyurethane fiber according to claim 11  
produced from a dope comprising

(A) hydrotalcite compound particles having

(1) an average secondary particle diameter of 0.60 to 3  
μm as measured by a laser beam diffraction scattering